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TITLE OF INVENTION STORAGE MEDIUM FOR THE OPTICAL STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL OF INFORMATION		
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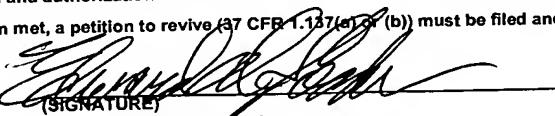
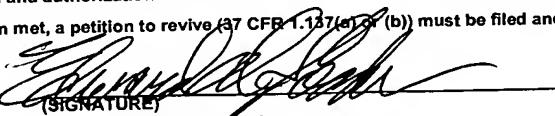
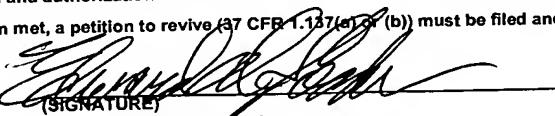
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